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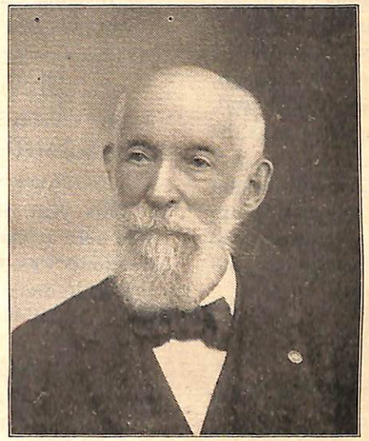

THEODORE SUTTON PARVIN,
GRAND SECRETARY OF IOWA MASONS.

At 1:30 p. m. June 28, 1901, passed to his well earned rest, the Grand Old Man in Masonry, who stood second to none in the wide and favorable acquaintance that makes the charm of the brotherhood the world over. He was in his eighty-fifth year of age. A native of New Jersey. The fifty-seven years of active labor for the craft have left the great library as his chosen monument.

He was made a Master Mason in Nova Caesarea Harmony lodge No. 2, of Cincinnati, Ohio, May 9, 1838.

Exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Iowa City Chapter No. 2, Jan. 2, 1845.

Received the Royal and Select Masters' degree in Dubuque Chapter No. 3, Dubuque, Iowa, Sept. 27, 1847.

Knighted in Apollo Commandery, No. 1, Chicago, Jan. 10, 1855.

Received the A. & A. Rite degrees up to and including the thirty-third at the hands of Albert Pike, Sept. 13, 1859, and was made active thirty-third for Iowa.

Represented Lodge No. 2 of Iowa in the Grand Lodge of Missouri in 1842 and 1843.

Elected Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, Iowa A. F. & A. M., at the organization of the Grand Lodge in January, 1844, and has served as Grand Secretary ever since, save the year 1852, when he was honored with the office of Grand Master.

Presided over the convention that organized Grand Chapter in June, 1854, and was elected its Grand High Priest, declining a re-election in 1857.

Was elected Grand Recorder of Grand Council in January, 1857, upon its organization.

Elected Grand Master of the Grand Council in August, 1860.

Was a member of the convention that organized the Grand Commandery and was elected its first Grand Commander in 1864 and re-elected the following year.

Represented the Grand Chapter and the Grand Commandery in the General Grand Chapter and the Grand Encampment of the United States for many years.

Presided over the convention that organized the Grand Consistory in June, 1868.

Was Grand Representative of the Grand Lodges of New Jersey, Ohio and Missouri, and of the Grand Lodges of England, Egypt and other foreign countries near the Grand Lodge of Iowa.

Was for fifteen years the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment Knights Templars of the United States, and founder and builder of its library on Templarism and Templar Masonry.

Was Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery New York near the Grand Commandery of Iowa.

Grand Representative of the great priory of Canada to the grand encampment Knights Templars of the United States.

Grand Representative of the Supreme Council of England to the Supreme Council of the United States.

Was grand orator in 1863 upon the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the Grand Lodge; again in 1884 upon the laying the corner stone of the library building, and in 1894, the fiftieth anniversary of the Grand Lodge. Writer of the reports on foreign correspondence for many years.

At his own request there were but few flowers, he preferring that they be sent to the sick and living rather than to the dead.

The ceremonies were conducted by the Grand Lodge officers at Iowa City, where sleep the other members of his family, on Monday, July 1, 1901.

HOW OTHERS HONORED HIM.

A number of the grand officers of different South Dakota bodies were at Dr. Parvin's funeral.

Word was received here of the remarkable action of the officers of the Arkansas Masonic Grand Lodge, who, on July 1, called the Grand Lodge to meet during the hours of the funeral of the late T. S. Parvin, at Iowa City, when appropriate memorial ceremonies were observed and resolutions adopted.—*Gazettee.*

The entire faculty of the State University attended Dr. Parvin's funeral out of regard to his standing among learned men.

Hundreds of craftsmen joined in the solemn ceremonies, the humblest giving the responses and casting in the evergreen.

May his rest be sweet.

Among the Lodges.

GRAND LODGE OF IOWA.

DAVENPORT, JUNE 4--7, 1901.

This year the Grand Communication was held at Davenport, and all that could be done was tried to make the Brothers feel at home. The usual three days' school was held—Custodians Clark and Van Saun instructors.

On Tuesday morning the local commandery acting as escort, the Grand Lodge formed in parade at the "Kimball" and marched to the Turner Grand Opera House. We were welcomed by the mayor as citizens; by W. M., Bro. Block, as Masons, and the same responded to by the Grand Master.

Grand Lodge was *opened in ample form.* The annual address followed. It will go into the archives as a strong addition to the literature of Iowa Masonry. We excerpt the one item to which some might think we would take exceptions, since we have tried *for more than seven years* to build up a Masonic publication in Iowa; but such an idea would wrong us. If the greatest body of Masons in Iowa wishes to have an official organ published under their patronage, we are content to continue as we began—without leading strings or outside help, except from our voluntary subscribers. Here is the quoted item:

QUARTERLY MASONIC BULLETIN.

"The Grand Secretary and Deputy deserve commendation for the publication of the *Bulletin.* It is artistically printed and keeps the brethren of this jurisdiction informed upon Masonic subjects, and above all, splendidly speaks of our grand Masonic Library. It has become a necessity. I trust its publication will be continued. I heartily endorse in a general way the recommendations made by the Committee on Library at the last session of the Grand Lodge with reference to the publication of the *Bulletin.* I would be gratified to see a copy of it in the hands of every Mason in Iowa. I recommend that the Trustees consider the advisability of the publication of the *Bulletin* under their auspices the coming year."

GRAND LODGE NOTES.

The absence of Grand Secretary Parvin was the cause of many sympathetic remarks by those in attendance. Among the ladies present this year were Mesdames Eaton, Blackmar, Lambert, Miller, Gamble and Morcombe.

"Joe" Morcombe filled the place of "press reporter" to a "T." He tries to jolly everybody, ourself included.

The local committee are not to blame for the miserable hotel accommodations at the "Kimball," but the management is. Such negligence of comfort, and exactness in price, we seldom meet with, if reports are true.

The Masonic Temple was kept open throughout for the entertainment of the craft, and the illuminations were superb.

Tuesday night "Female Masonry" was presented in the "Shrine room" by the local Chapter of the Eastern Star.

A most touching scene was when the committee sent to bear greetings to "Father Parvin" made their report. Feeling that it was his final message all hearts were made tender. So mote it be.

THE GREETING.

"My heart is with you at Davenport. My spirit will be within the rooms where you hold your Grand Lodge sessions. I will mingle with you in soul, as I have in body all these years. But, oh, I am longing to be with you. I had hoped even almost to the last and against hope that I might be able to be carried to Davenport and probably taken in a litter to the Grand Lodge rooms, that at least I might see and hear my brethren once more. But this was not to be. My strength is almost gone, and I can only send through you this message. Tell the brethren in Iowa that it is my last behest, that they live up to the teachings of the fraternity, that they be Masons in fact as well as in name. And tell them also that if they desire to perpetuate my memory, if I have done anything which deserves recognition, that they carry on the work I have begun in the Grand Lodge Library. Let it be my monument, and at the same time an enduring monument for Masonry in Iowa. Into that institution my whole soul and the best years of my life have been woven."

There was but little legislation at this communication. All was seemingly peaceful in the quarries.

AMENDMENTS TO CODE.

Section 227. A board of three Trustees, appointive, to hold six years each, and one to be appointed each odd numbered year hereafter.

Section 230 d and e provide for District Lecturers, under rules of proficiency, to instruct in the work at the expense of the inviting lodge, or when called by the Board to serve for the custodians at Grand Lodge expense. A wholesome step in the right direction.

Section 250. "Card playing" has been added to the "unanimous consent" requirements of the section. A section full of good as well as evil possibilities. Here's where the "crank" on the one hand and the "card loonie" on the other will clash.

GRAND OFFICERS.

L. J Baker, Ottumwa, G. M.
W. F. Cleveland, Harlan, S. G. W.
M. E. Lowther, Centerville, J. G. W.
C. B. Mills, Sioux Rapids, G. T.
T. S. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, G. S.

(By the death of Dr. Parvin the Grand Lodge provided that N. R. Parvin, his son, should succeed to the place. This is confirmed by the Grand Master.)

J. C. Crawford, Waukon, D. G. M.
N. R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, D. G. S.
Rev. W. F. Henry, Maquoketa, G. C.
M. Matson, Persia, Grand Marshal.
F. B. Whitaker, Hillsboro, S G. D.
T. G. Given, Creston, J. G. D.
Gid. Townsend, McGregor, S. G. S.
W. R. Hammond, Eagle Grove, J. G. S.
A. N. Alberson, Washington, G. T.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN LODGE.

FORMALLY CONSTITUTED AT LISBON JUNE 14.

Benjamin Franklin Lodge No. 574, A. F. & A. M., was formally constituted at Lisbon June 14 by Dr C. H. Cogswell acting as Deputy Grand Master, and assisted by Past Master C. D. Huston as Grand Marshal. The lodge starts out under auspicious circumstances and is strongly officered. The officers as installed were:

W. M.—J. G. Bovey.
S. W.—R. M. Lovell.
J. W.—R. H. Bittle.
Treasurer—D. C. Hurtung.
Secretary—B. W. Hoadly.
A. D.—E. A. Johnson.
J. D.—J. A. Wood.
S. S.—Dr. Gardner.
J. S.—Johnathan Richard.
Tyler—E. J. Mace.

MASONIC PICNIC.

BUCHANAN COUNTY.

We were fully repaid for the trip from Rowley to Quasqueton, June 25th, to attend the Buchanan County Masonic picnic for it was a large and a social success. Several lodges and chapters of the Eastern Star participated. Doctor Thompson and Frank Fox, of Winthrop, were in evidence and everybody had a good time. We think Walker was admitted to the Association because they wanted in and were wanted in.

A MID-JUNE BANQUET.

From another business engagement in northern Iowa June 26, we were taken by Bro. Will Lamb to Northwood, where the lodge raised one and banqueted scores. The ladies were present to honor the occasion, and local as well as visiting talent shared in the flow of eloquence, wit and perspiration. Hot as it was we'd grieve to miss such a company. They're awake up there.

There are over 30,400 Master Masons affiliated in Iowa. (No one knows how many unaffiliates.) The net increase last year 878.

Bro. J. E. Morcombe, of this city, was appointed chairman of the Committee on Correspondence at the late Grand Lodge.

The use of the word "Masonic" in any business enterprise is not favored. A hint is better than a more pungent reminder.

By the death of the Grand Secretary the Deputy takes his place, and the new Deputy will have to serve at $50 per month

Grand Master Baker and other Grand Lodge officers came to the city June 29th for the Parvin funeral of July 1st.

At old Bonaparte, Keokuk, Montrose, Ft. Madison and Burlington we heard good news of the progress of the craft.

In a fire at Harlan lately S. G. W., W. F. Cleveland, was quite seriously burned, but is recovering nicely.

At Maxwell along with Bro. E. H. Addison we found a number of the craft. All well and active.

Lake Park—The lodge has received 16 petitions since January and has conferred 40 degrees.

Iowa lodge No 2 and Hawkeye No. 30, Muscatine, consolidated July 1.

Dubuque was chosen as the place of the next annual communication.

Commanderies.

GRAND COMMANDERY.

The usual preliminaries to festal week began with a religious service on Sunday, July 7th, conducted by Acting Grand Prelate, Rev. Sir Thomas E. Green. The attendance was larger at this time than on any Sunday for several years previous. The sermon by Dr. Green was one well calculated to turn attention to the practice of those grand characteristics of this valiant and magnanimous order.

Monday was the usual time of preparation and adjustment.

Tuesday morning all the P. G. C.'s were sent as a detail to escort Very Eminent Sir George M. Moulton, Grand Generalisimo of the Grand Encampment, to the home of Iowa Templary. They approached the park by the new road, accompanied by the Iowa Falls Band. Past Grand Commander E. O. Soule introduced the visitor to the Grand Commander. At ten o'clock the Grand Commandery was opened and the Thirty-eighth Conclave was duly convened.

The opening was that in conformity to the new tactics, and when fully acquired will undoubtedly be all right.

V. E. Sir Geo. M. Moulton was received with the usual honors. E. Sir Kt. T. E. Green gave the address of welcome, he being the Grand Representative of Iowa near the Grand Commandery of Illinois. Sir Knight Moulton's response was in a happy vein.

The Grand Commander's address was read from manuscript because the printed copies were delayed at the express office. Prosperity has attended the year's work.

The death of the first Grand Commander of Iowa, Dr. Parvin, was referred to feelingly.

Thirty-eight Sir Knights have died the past year.

The list of prominent dead in sister jurisdictions reminds one of the encroachments of age and disease upon the ranks of our knightly army, as well as the duty to keep our armor bright.

No. 203 East Broadway is to be the headquarters for Iowa at Louisville, Ky., during Triennial.

Present membership, 4,738. The largest annual increase since 1892.

The Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer read their reports.

The evening entertainment was "the grand officers reception" and an informal dance.

WEDNESDAY.

The events of this day were similar to yesterday, except current business.

F. G. Stein, through A. N. Alberson, presented a duplicate of an old banner of Del Molay No. 1, of Muscatine. Thanks for same were voted to Sir Knight Stein.

The banner ordered in 1898 is to be purchased in time for the Louisville conclave. Grand Commander Brownlee, committee.

An invitation from the Ladies' Club of Templar Park was presented for this evening's entertainment.

V. E. G. M. Moulton received a vote of thanks for his presence with us.

Dr. Green was appointed to present a memorial address, which he did on Thursday morning.

The evening entertainment of a fine program in front of the "rotunda" was followed by what ought to be a new ceremony and seldom celebrated, namely, "The Lighting of the Lanterns." The band played for an informal dance, which closed Wednesday.

THURSDAY.

The Grand Commandery resumed its conclave at ten o'clock. The opening prayer was by ex-Grand Prelate Dr. T. E. Green. This matter was unselfishly distributed this year, Dr. Cox for Tuesday and Dr. Whitten on Wednesday.

The final report of the Committee on Credentials was presented showing a healthy attendance. During election of officers the following was transacted:

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported: Honorius No. 8, Iowa, V. S. De Molanus Commandery at Boscobel, Wis., conferring the Orders on a Companion from McGregor, Iowa. Referred to the incoming Grand Commander.

Special committee on the application of twenty Sir Knights for a Commandery at Leon, Iowa, was presented and referred to the incoming Grand Commander for action.

P. G. C. Sir J. H. Pettibone, special Committee on Pavilion, reported, presenting the same to the Grand Commander. Amount of cost $1,324.03, contributed by twenty-two Commanderies, as such, and a large number of Sir Knights. It was accepted with thanks.

The Committee on "Inspection" reported, favoring the inspection of Commanderies, with local entertainment by the commandery inspected, and it was adopted.

N. R. Parvin, on "visitors," reported the presence of distinguished guests, whose names appear elsewhere.

Dr. Green reported on "Our Templar Dead"—especially noticing the death of Dr. Parvin, First G. C. of Iowa.

The Committee on Mileage reported: Number to receive Mileage, 44; amount necessary, $381.00.

A United States flag was ordered to be bought and carried at the head of the Grand Commandery, with the new banner.

The question of the payment of taxes on this property (Templar Park) was reported on. We will have to pay taxes—why not?—and this matter will now cease to be a subject of controversy.

The difficulty of getting the boat "Templar" into service, was brought up by Dewey, of Washington, and $100.00 was asked for and granted to help bear expenses.

Crom Bowen, B. F. Callender and Alf Wingate were elected Trustees of the Parish Fund.

FRIDAY.

The Installation Ceremonies took place at 9 a. m. and the closing business was transacted afterward.

One thousand dollars was the amount appropriated for the trip to the Grand Encampment.

Hereafter the assignment of the rooms in the apartment house will be in charge of the Trustees instead of a line officer.

GRAND OFFICERS.

W. H. Norris, Manchester, G. C.
F. W. Craig, Des Moines, D. G. C.
Wm. Flanagan, Cedar Rapids, G. G.
H. W. Holman, Independence, G. C. G.
A. A. Rodman, Washington, G. S. W.
O. L. Meredith, Newton, G. J. W.
Dr. T. E. Green, Cedar Rapids, G. P.
J. B. Atkins, Council Bluffs, G. T.
J. E. Cherry, Creston, G. R.
F. E. Webber, Cherokee, G. S.-B.
H. K. Pratt, Keokuk, G. S.-B.
W. F. Mollison, Ottumwa, G. W.
A. N. Alberson, Washington, G. S.

GRAND COMMANDERY NOTES.

The new Pavilion is a handsome and valuable addition to the improvements at the Park.

Great praise is due to Sir Knights Lacy and Adamson, for the beautiful condition of the grounds. The steamer "Templar" was not in the water until Thursday—no fault of Commodore Joe Hardy—owing to the carelessness of the parties who housed it last fall.

The demand for rooms indicates the necessity for a west wing to the Apartment House.

The practice of "borrowing" utensils and bedding left in rooms at the Park is getting to be monotonous and should be stopped. Tag your stuff and leave it with Tom Adamson and it will be safe.

The "Ornamentals" still hold their usual lawn sessions, hourly and daily, from the date of their arrival at the old stand.

The negligence of the drill in the Asylum is the self-accusing solution of much awkwardness in some of the home Commanderies in Iowa.

ON TO LOUISVILLE.

The time is at hand when all who contemplate this trip should be ready to go.

ITINERARY FOR IOWA.

The Iowa Knights Templar Triennial train will run over the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern R'y, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific and Big Four railways, leaving the various points designated Saturday, August 24th, on the following schedule: Watertown, S. Dak., 11:15 a. m.; Sioux Falls 2:00 p. m.; Luverne, 3:00 p. m.; Estherville, 6:05 p. m.; Iowa Falls, 9:25 p. m.; Vinton, 11:25 p. m.; Albert Lea, 3:05 p. m.; Cedar Falls, 6:20 p. m.; Waterloo, 6:35 p. m.; Decorah, 3:15 p. m.; West Union, 5:25 p. m.; Independence, 6:45 p. m.; leaving Cedar Rapids about midnight and on arrival at West Liberty joining the various local commanderies from other points in the state including Temple Commandery, of Des Moines, and Oriental of Newton, rendezvousing here, and all constituting a special train of Pullman sleepers of the latest pattern, free reclining chair cars, and running through to Louisville without change, headed by Oriental Commandery Band, of Newton, Iowa, the only Knights Templar Band in the world, arriving at Chicago 8:00 a. m. August 25th. Here the day will be spent attending divine service, visiting the Art Institute, the parks, etc. At 5:00 p. m., near Logan statue, Oriental Commandery Band will give a concert on the lake front in park. At the close of the concert all will repair to Twelfth Street Station where the train will be in waiting, leaving for Louisville about 8:30 p. m., arriving there about 8:00 a. m. Monday morning, where special electric cars will be in readine s to take all direct to Iowa's headquarters, located at the boarding house of Mrs. J. B. McPherson, 203 East Broadway.

THE PROGRAM

for the six days of the Conclave is of a rich and varied character. The grand parade will be given on Tuesday, August 27th, and many others rich and enjoyable events will take the attention from start to finish. Remember all roads lead to Chicago August 24-25, 1901, and that you want to get with the Iowa Templars from there to Louisville.

Bulletin No. 2 of Temple Commandery No. 4, Des Moines, lays out big work for six July dates, all showing that old No. 4 don't fear summer heat.

THE COMMON CAUSE.

A bitter word is spoken; a selfish act is committed; the fraternal bond is forgotten; and quickly our order is injured. Once, in the French wars, an English frigate encountered another during the night. Each mistook the other for a French man-of-war. They fought with each other furiously, they injured each other desperately, in the darkness. Day dawned, and lo! with salutes and bitter weeping, amid the dead and the dying and the shattered debris of the fight, each recognized the English flag flying over the other ship, and found that they had been injuring their common country, slaying and shattering their friends and brethren. Ah! let us not make the same mistake in the twilight of our earthly opinions. Let us remember the common cause; the tie which binds us as one in the order of Eastern Star.—*Mizpah.*

One of the pleasantest occasions of President McKinley's trip was his entertainment by the Knights Templar of San Francisco, on the 22nd. The President arrived at Mechanics' Pavilion about 3 o'clock, coming direct from the Scott residence. He was met by a procession of 1400 Sir Knights in full regalia and escorted inside the building, where 1200 people had already assembled. Gen. W. H. L. Barnes introduced President McKinley. A choir of 150 voices then sang the "Templars Prayer" with the accompaniment of a band of sixty pieces. President McKinley next responded to the address of welcome. The feature of the performance was the presentation of a beautiful American silk flag to the President. It was mounted on a Manzanillo staff, at the head of which is a spear-head of gold. The "Star Spangled Banner" was then sung by the audience, and there was a patriotic demonstration.—*Boston Ideas.*

The first new lodge to be opened in England in the present century was consecrated on May 11, at Wolverhampton, by the Earl of Dartmouth, provincial Grand Master of Staffordshire. The warrant for its formation is the first one to be signed by the new Grand Master, the Duke of Connaught. The name of the new lodge is Victoria.

The Installation of the Duke of Connaught as Grand Master of the united grand lodge of England, will take place in Royal Albert hall, South Kensington, on Wednesday, July 17.

In Pennsylvania there is no territorial lodge jurisdiction, and a man may petition any lodge in the State for the degrees, if he has been a resident the required time.

The most devoted lover of our order may never wear a badge, judge not by the jewels. The heart is the true jewel of office in Masonry.

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GRAND GATHERINGS.

GRAND LODGE MEETS.
Dubuque, June 3, 1902.

L. J. BAKER.....Ottumwa.....GRAND MASTER
N. R. Parvin.....Cedar Rapids.....Grand Secretary

CONVOCATIONS, R. A. M.
General Grand (U. S.,) 1903.
Iowa. Grand, Davenport, 1901.
N. B. HYATT.....Webster City.....GRAND HIGH PRIEST
Alf. Wingate.....Des Moines.....Grand Secretary

ASSEMBLIES, R. & S. M.
General Grand (U. S.,)
Iowa, Grand Council, Davenport, Sept., 1901.
A. R. DEWEY.....Washington.....M. P. G M
Alf. Wingate.....Des Moines.....Grand Recorder

CONCLAVES K. T.
Grand Encampment, Louisville, Ky., Aug. 27, 1901.
Iowa Grand, Templar Park, July, 1902.
W. H. NORRIS.....Manchester.....GRAND COMMANDER
J. E. CHERRY.....Creston.....Grand Recorder

GRAND CHAPTERS O. E. S.
General Grand (U. S.) Sept. 27 30, 1901, Detroit, Mich.
Iowa, Oct. 24, 1901, Sioux City.
FREDA OPPENHEIMER Webster City GRAND MATRON
A. J. Small.....Des Moines.....Grand Patron
Mrs. Maria Jackson.....Council Bluffs.....Grand Recorder

THE MYSTIC SHRINE.
Imperial Council, San Francisco, Cal., June 1, 1902.
PHIL C. SHAFFER, Philadelphia, Pa., IMP. POTENTATE
Ben. W. Rowell.....Boston, Mass.....Recorder

EL-KAHIR TEMPLE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
B. M. CLEVELAND.....Waterloo.....POTENTATE
John Westley Geiger.....Cedar Rapids.....Recorder
MEETINGS AT HOME:

July 26	August 23	September 27
October 25	November 22	December 11

TO OUR READERS.

We hereby appeal to our subscribers who are in arrears, and whom we have repeatedly notified to pay what they owe *at once*. NEARLY SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS are now due us, and when we put it on the five points of fellowship that with heavy financial responsibility on us our Brothers ought to come forward and render this aid, *not as charity but in honor*. In ninety days all old bills will go into the hands of a collecting agency. Speak craftsmen and all, will you help us?

OUR DEAD.

We were sadly startled June 13th to receive notice of the death of

NOBLE MAX WISLING,

one of El Kahir's Dubuque class.

No less startling and shocking, far more, was the telegram, June 16th, calling us home on account of the death of

ROSELLA BALES ALDERMAN,

wife of Noble E. I. Alderman of Marion. See notice elsewhere.

Again comes the sad news of another of our number passing away. This time on June 22nd, it is

NOBLE JACOB T. MERRILL,

for a number of years superintendent of the Cedar Rapids schools.

Still another sudden and sad taking off is to announce, for on June 25th

BRO. J. J. DOFFLEMEYER,

of Trojan Lodge 548, Marion, passed suddenly away while attending an institute at Webster City, Iowa. He had been for several years superintendent of the Marion schools.

And yet again must we add to the unusual roll the name of that Nestor of Iowa Masonry,

THEODORE S. PARVIN, 33°

Grand Secretary of Iowa, who passed away in great peace June 28, 1901. See notice elsewhere.

Just as we go to press comes the notice of the death of

LEAH G. HELM,

wife of Brother J. H. Helm, of this city who passed away July 16th. Mrs. Helm was prominent in O. E. S. circles and was one of the charter members of the chapter in this city.

This month we double—hot weather—and a wish to get the notes of the three important bodies out together is our reason.

Grand Commandery month will be followed quickly by the Grand Encampment, then General Grand Chapter O. E. S., in fact there's hardly any end.

Our sympathies go out to the bereaved—personal feelings do not figure then—but we consider the man or woman who will ram their sharp tongue into the home of a bereaved family too loathsome to be allowed to associate with good people. A club, a boot-toe and an open door for all such.

The highest type of Masonry is the self-forgetful devoted kind that freely puts all into the scale of duty and, looking not back, presses forward for the prize.

While in the past eight years we have made no poor mouth, there never has been a time when we have not needed the support of our brethren. We need it now and do not blush to ask those who have not taken this paper to try it, and those who have to keep getting it, while those who are in arrears we ask to pay up.

ROSELLA BALES ALDERMAN.

The Eastern Star.

ROSELLA BALES ALDERMAN,
SISTER O. E. S. DAUGHTER OF ISIS,

Beloved wife of Edwin I. Alderman of Marion, Iowa. She was born August 8, 1863, and died June 16, 1901, five days after the birth of a boy babe. Marion was the birthplace of the deceased, but when quite young went with her parents to Clinton, Missouri, the latter dying there several years ago. Later with her brothers and sisters she returned to Marion. She was united in marriage with Edwin I. Alderman, now postmaster of Marion and Imperial Second Ceremonial Master of the Mystic Shrine, this city, Nov. 11, 1885,

and here with their two children born to them since have resided happily until her death. Besides her husband, Edwin I., she leaves three children, Madge 14, Merle 12 and the boy baby, and also two brothers and two sisters—Hiram Bales in Kansas City, Kan.; Wallace Bales, of Brighton, Col.; Mrs. Catherine Platner, Los Angeles, Cal.; and Mrs. Mary McKean, Dakota City, Neb.

While her life was mainly given to her home and family, she was ambitious, and, having a good education, was a careful reader and a very intelligent conversationalist not only in social and economic matters but also in history as well.

She was a graduate of the Marion High school and attended Cornell college afterwards. Was a member of the Eastern Star, the Entre Nous Club (these two attending in a body), a charter member of the court of Isis, El Kahir Temple, Mystic Shrine, Cedar Rapids; a charter member, with her husband, of the A. C. T. E. lately introduced into this country.

The last sad rites for the dead were held June 18th, at the family home. Following the religious service conducted by Rev. A. D. Kinzer, John Westley Geiger, an intimate and long-time friend and companion of the husband, the families of each having gone in and out together for years in neighborly greetings, was especially invited to make a few remarks. Mr. Geiger's words came from the heart, soul-stirring, as he spoke of the mother gone, the father and children here, how he knew and saw them in the home and away, the little consolation left mortals to give the living in the trying hour of death—words fairly painted with the brush of poetry—bringing tears to all within the sound of his voice.

The pall bearers were Bros. C. H. Marshall, J. B. Smalley, Walter Goodhue, Charles Berry, Charles Mitchell and George Yuill. Interment was in Oak Shade cemetery.

The floral offerings were most beautiful and were from all the orders to which husband and wife, or either, belonged.—*Marion Sentinel.*

The final ceremonies at the grave were n charge of the Chapter of the Eastern Star and constituted a beautiful period to so sad an occasion. There sleeps one of nature's noblest daughters, an innocent, motherly woman, whose home was her delight, whose children were her dream, and whose husband was her king. Well might the world have more of her kind in it. Farewell, sister, may thy soul rest in peace until it please God to wake thee.

The Mystic Shrine.

IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

The assembling of the nobility in Kansas City for the Imperial Council began as early as June 9th amid the happy commingling of congenial souls. The Hotel Baltimore was headquarters, and its lobby evidenced the presence of all its own and hundreds of the guests of other hotels during the daytime. Sunday was for rest to the restful, but the restless Arabs went flitting like sunbeams all over the city.

Monday is always a preliminary day, on which committees get their work in shape while the unemployed visit and renew old acquaintances. Tuesday morning found Grand Marshal Allen and his white leggined aids and the Arab patrol ready to escort the Imperial Council over a short parade to the Standard Theatre, where the sessions were held. The imperial address was up to the usual high standard, and Lou B. Winsor's last official document becomes part of our creditable literature.

IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

P. C. Schaffer, Philadelphia, Pa., Imperial Potentate; Henry C. Aiken, Omaha, Neb., Imperial Deputy Potentate; George H. Green, Dallas, Texas, Imperial Chief Rabban; Geo. L. Brown, Buffalo, N. Y., Imperial Asst. Rabban; Harry A. Collins, Toronto, Canada, Imperial High Priest and Prophet; A. P. Clayton, St. Joseph, Mo., Imperial Oriental Guide; Wm. S. Brown, Pittsburg, Pa., Imperial Treasurer; Benj. W. Rowell, Boston, Mass., Imperial Recorder; Rial S. Peck, Hartford, Conn., Imperial 1st Ceremonial Master; Edwin I. Alderman, Marion, Iowa, Imperial 2d Ceremonial Master; A. N. Sloan, Chattanooga, Tenn., Imperial Marshal; Geo. L. Street, Richmond, Va., Imperial Captain of the Guard; Frank P. Roundy, Chicago, Ill., Imperial Outer Guard.

COUNCIL NOTES.

The passport of a Noble is good only for the term (year) entered thereon.

A representative *ad vitem* is a Past Imperial Potentate, and a temple should always return the Imperial Potentate as a Representative for the session at which he is to preside, but failure to do so does not lose him his rights except to pay.

Zaga-zig Temple of Des Moines having failed to comply with the law requiring an effort to secure an agreement among the Iowa Temples as to territory, had their petition rejected.

An invitation from Buffalo was given for the Nobility to attend "Shrine Day" at the Pan-American, on August 31st, which was accepted.

San Francisco, Cal., was chosen for the session of 1902, on the second Tuesday in June, and it was asserted that the fare would not be over $50 for the round trip from Chicago. "Take your things and go!"

There were no amendments proposed to the law. It was held that a *fac simile* of the seal of a temple on its passports is sufficient.

A decision was sustained that a Noble cannot be, by by-law, compelled to state to what temple he intends to carry his demit.

Suspension in *either* prerequisite body (K. T., or S. R.) works the same result in the Temple. Restoration likewise the same.

Melish, Field, Brown, Rowell, Alderman, and old John Maloney, *et al.*, can just sleep with one eye open when we go to San Francisco. $61 won't square the "attachment" we have for them! See!

We're a great order, 60,422 Nobles; net gain, 4,967 for the year.

The first report of the Council from an exchange comes from "*The Masonic Constellation.*" We are belated by doubling up for the hot weather.

The climax to the grand parade was the fifteen thousand women arrayed in white in convention hall.

Ararat's officers and committees covered themselves with glory by the unselfish manner in which they sought to care for all alike.

Nobles throughout the Imperial realm will hear with sorrow that Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, E. I. Alderman, was called home but to witness the death of his beloved wife. See notice elsewhere.

The grand ball given in honor of the Council was the second climax in the round of successes won by Ararat Temple as royal entertainers.

Well, boys, aurevoir until we get to Charley Field's oasis. He's promised to take the golden gate clear off the hinges when we get there in 1902.

TURN THE CHEAP SCREW OUT.

Nothing makes the cheap screw competition foisted on the Nobility by a few self-seeking, temporary fellows look so like thirty cents as to stand them up along side of the magnificent body of men who compose the Council. But they have their day and how short and unsatisfactory it must have been.

ALL IOWA.

What we hope to see is "all Iowa" going to San Francisco as a big, happy, united family. There's room for us all! Why crowd? Why keep gouging?

BEGIN NOW.

El Kahir Nobles have already commenced the formation of "Frisco" uniformed club. Save up and go in.

"I believe that the Shrine has been a help, a most valuable and a most living help to the fraternity. It has furnished certain details which the craft itself could not supply, for, however some of our hair-brained brethren may regard it, Freemasonry is a very serious matter and deals with the highest and gravest problems presented to humanity. But the Shrine, while not losing sight of these cultivates the social and fraternal sentiments which help

to infuse sunshine across our pathway. To that end are its pilgrimages, its Arab patrol, its entertainments. It claims to establish a real bond of fraternity among its members and more than makes good its claim. It believes in toleration, in liberty of thought; it requires a Noble to be a good man, a loyal citizen; and in all lawful ways it seeks to promote the welfare and the pleasure of its members. It seeks light and intelligence, and these two words, it seems to me, fully express its purpose and form its real motto."—*Peter Ross.*

The Shrine is the only body of Masons in this city that takes account of the fact that its members have children, and its annual children's matinee is one of the most popular features of that popular organization. There is here the germ of an idea for the brethren who believe that their lodges should endeavor to cement the social ties that should exist between the brethren and their families.—*Standard.*

Fraternities.

We have no sympathy with the hue and cry raised against fraternal insurance orders when they are founded upon right methods. This department is intended as devoted to their interest and we tell both sides by giving the facts.

FOUNDED THE ELKS.

New York, June 7.—George W. Cumberland, known to the American stage as George W. Thompson, "Father of the Elks," is dead in Brooklyn from blood poisoning, following an operation upon his hand. Funeral services will be held today. He was born in New York City in 1836. He is said to have founded the order of Elks thirty-five years ago, becoming first exalted ruler of New York Lodge No. 1 in 1868.

An interesting suit is pending at Des Moines against the Bankers' Accident Insurance Company. Annie Kahler, widow of Frank Kahler, sues to recover $10,000 under a policy on her husband, who was shot by a maniac. The company refuses to pay on the claim that the shooting was not an accident, and that its policy provided that no purposely inflicted injuries should be regarded as accidents, whether inflicted by the assured or some other person, except burglars or highwaymen. It is claimed that the maniac was neither of these, that the injuries were purposely inflicted by him, and that in consequence the company is not liable under its policy. The court will have to decide whether a maniac can be said to have a "purpose" in his actions within the meaning of the law. —*Daily Press.*

Western life insurance men are interested in the negotiations which have been in progress by the Mabie Brothers of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life and formerly of the Northwestern, for the control of the Bankers' Union of the World of Omaha. They are reported as wanting to return to the insurance business in the west. The Bankers' Union was started at Omaha by Dr. E. C. Spinney, a former Baptist minister, who owns a controling interest. It is admitted to twenty-five states. Dr. Spinney has also controlled the Mutual Life Company of Des Moines, and has sold it to O. H. Davidson of that city.—*Daily Press.*

July 9th a special session of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias was held in Chicago to devise ways and means for their insurance department. It was needful.

Will the festive Guy Gernsey of Orchard please inform us somewhat about "The Oriental Order" he and others are conferring up their way?

The Elks of this city will open their new hall about July 15th.

Book Table and Invitations.

From the C. Reiss Coal Co., Sheboygan, Wis., we have a neat and handsome little memorandum.

From N. R. Parvin, Grand Secretary, a copy of the Masonic Code of Iowa, with all amendments to date inserted; also the list of grand officers for the ensuing year.

From Grand Recorder Mayo, the proceedings of the Grand Commandery of Missouri for 1901.

From Illustrious Bro. Gill W. Barnard of Chicago we have the program of the Twelfth Annual Masonic Picnic, held at Fox River Grove June 29th. We noted by the daily papers that the picnic was a success and quite a sum went to the Orphans Home.

From Bro. and Comp. Chas. E. Markham, a list of the members of the co-ordinate bodies of Buffalo Consistory, A. A. Rite of Buffalo.

REFLECTIONS.

THE SECTS AND THE MASONS.

One of the sects recently adopted a resolution against secret societies, which means, of course, the Masons. The action was foolish. One need not support the peculiar ethics of Masonry, that truth and charity and kindliness shall be an especial trust of an oath-bound few, to see that a resolution condemning the cult of compass and square is of no effect. The Masons can very easily show that their doctrines are as good Christianity as those of their opponents. And if Masons confine their love and kindness to themselves by a process of election, it comes with bad grace from a sect that preaches election and rejection to condemn such a policy. That Masons are good men we all know. That Masonry is a force for good we all know. That the secret business appertaining to the order is mere childish flummery we may suspect, but the great Masonic secrets certainly do no one any harm. People who are initiated into those secrets are not any different for joy or woe from those who have never been taken in. The Masons are not in politics and they don't particularly insist that they are in religion. They don't go about worrying people to join hands with them. They seem to have a great deal of cheerfulness in their esoteric doctrines, and their lodge meetings are usually conceived to culminate in a good time all around. Now if there is any class of people that should be encouraged, it is people who incline to cheerfulness. If they play with mysteries and signs and pass-words and rituals and regalias it is harmless play. We may smile at their solemn ceremony if we will, but there's no discounting the good they do to one another and even to outsiders. The order is not at all dangerous. It is no more a unit on any great question affecting the world than if it had no Fee-Faw-Fum business about it. It has its bad members like its good. It has its enemies and rivalries, and you'll nearly always find that the Mason chums with some one who wouldn't join the order for the wealth of Ormus or of Ind. As for the wonderful secrets—why, the possessors thereof are no better off than those who are on the outside. There is a great deal of common sense in American Masonry, simply because there is no reason here that the plotters against church or State should take advantage of its secrecy to cover up their doings. There is surely more common sense in Masonry than in any sect that condemns them, for we don't hear that the Masons are condemning any sect. We don't even hear any more that Masons vote as a unit in politics. We don't hear the old superstition that it is impossible to hang a Mason. We know that American Masons do not affiliate with those European lodges that proclaim atheism and shelter anarchists. The Americans don't take much stock in the secrets either. Most of them look to the practical results of the order's workings in charity. There are fifty orders that have stolen the secrets of Masonry and no horrible doom has befallen the appropriators. One may not believe in secret societies, because of the possibilities lurking in secret organization at all times, but really it cannot be said that Masonry's secrecy is of such a close character as to be dangerous. The Roman Catholic church condemns Masonry consistently enough, for that church demands sovereignty over the minds of its communicant and it resents exclusion from any compartment of the mind or any depth of the heart. An assumedly infallible church consistently declares that anything a communicant can't tell his priest is evil, but why any Protestant should become violent in opposition to Masonry almost passes comprehension. If Masonry is anything it is protest. If the right of a man to believe as he pleases has been upheld by any organization it has

been upheld by the Masons. The Masons have been and are the Jesuits of Protestantism, and if all the Masons were driven out of the Protestant sects there would be left a gaping void in the most powerful congregations. Roman Catholicism may, in self-protection, fight the Masons, but when Protestants attack the order they are attacking their best friend in every land under the sun for the last four hundred years. Masonry may be, in some of its phases, a ridiculous and preposterous pretense, historically, esoterically, ceremonially, but it cannot possibly be so ridiculous and preposterous as any Protestant sect that makes war upon it. Protestants have no right to persecute for opinion's sake.

—*Exchange.*

THE ANCIENT ELDERS OF THE CRAFT.

BY BROTHER JOHN YARKER.

In our ancient MSS. we meet with allusions to the "Elders" of the Craft, and in some of these as in the Corke and the Wm. Watson MSS., they are spoken of in a way that would indicate that they were some sort of officials who had the oversight of the Constitutional Charges of the Craft. We read of the same class of officials in France, in the 13th century as Prudhommes, that is wise men the Fathers of the Association.

The number of these Elders or Rulers would seeem to have been *Six* in each district, though three or four might form a quorum in case of need; and the custom was so widely spread at an early date as to point to a very ancient origin.

1356, London. At this date some friction occurred between the Mason Setters and Free Mason Hewers and *six* of each were chosen to go before the Mayor, Aldermen and Sheriff to have their rules sanctioned. This was done for them; the two *Sixes* were sworn to carry these out, to oversee the Craft and thus lay the foundation of the London Masons Company. One of those Laws state that a Mason taking work in gross must bring "*Six* or four ancient men of his Craft" to vouch for competency.

1598, Scotland. The Schaw Statutes of 1598 enact that after fourteen years probation the Mason must be passed Fellow of Craft by *Six* Maisters. The country would seem to be divided into Sheriffdoms under a Lord Warden general at Edinburgh. By Schaws Statutes of 1599 the chief lodge is to be Edinburgh and the second Kilwinning, but with a similar arrangement, the latter are to "elect and chus *Six* of the maist parfite and worthiest of memorie within their bounds to take trial . . . . of their Art, Craft, Scyance and antient memorie."

About six Lodges sign the decree granted in confirmation to the Lairds of Roslyn about 1628 of their hereditary rank of Patron and Judge of their causes and disputes.

1459, Germany. The Statutes of Strasburg in 1459 are signed by *Six* Work-Masters but in meeting "Chapter-Wise." Jost Dolzinger may modify these with the assistance of three or four masters. The Halberstadt statutes of 1713 throw a good deal of light upon the earlier. There were Alt or Old-Masters at Kolon, Strasburg, Wein, Zurich, etc.

If an Old-Master, or one of the *Six* die, another may be elected. Allusion is made to the sanction of Max I., in 1498. In a petition to the King they distinguish their signatures as Old-Masters and Craft Masters. The first was president of the ordinary Master Masons and the latter of a lower section. The Statutes show that the Initiated Journeymen, under the Master who employed him, had secrets, words, etc., and the 1459 Statutes have laws for Masters, Parlivers, and Apprentices.

(2) That there was a Master's fraternity which all Masters had to join before taking work.

(3) An old fraternity of the highest rank, that is an Arch fraternity. There can be little doubt that these sections had each their secrets and their own drama or ceremony.

The establishment of Grand Lodges coupled with newly enacted civil laws, broke up the government of the Craft by the "Elders," and when we next hear of them as Harodim or Rulers and as Royal Arch Masons, their privileges were gone save in France where they made a successful fight between 1740 and 1754. In the north of England they seem to have claimed the custom of travel for the settlement of disputes and at the date of about 1775 it would seem that nine members were expected to be present at Receptions, though three of these might be candidates.—*Canadian Craftsman.*

It may not be generally known that the Grand Lodge of Canada has under its jurisdiction a lodge in Jerusalem, called the Royal Solomon Mother Lodge, which was chartered in 1873. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, recently returned from the orient, is expected to give at the Grand Lodge meeting in July, an idea as to the usefulness of the lodge. The *Freemason*, of Toronto, believes that it should have its charter arrested, or that there should at least be an immediate investigation into its workings and an inspection of its books, record and work. It says that American Masons who have recently visited the Holy Land have no hesitation in stating that as a Masonic body it has no right to exist.—*The American Tyler.*

We meet someone every day who believes that a Mason who has had but three degrees is by no means as much of a Mason as he ought to be. They believe that the blue lodge Mason is still an apprentice in the workings of the Craft—that he will not be a full-fledged Mason till he has rounded out the full quota of thirty-three degrees. As a matter of fact, the Mason who does his duty well by the three degrees is a better craftsman than he who dabbles in thirty-three. Masons of the third degree should prove to the world that they need no higher education in Masonry to properly exemplify its teachings.—*Exchange.*

You can be as good a Mason with three degrees as with thirty-three.

The social amenities of the lodge are worthy of cultivation. It is a mistake to think that the formalities of ritualistic work are all there is to be regarded. If that were all lodge meetings would soon become dry husks. Social and fraternal features are greater than mere routine. Cultivate sociability; become more friendly, better acquainted with each other, and the effect will soon become apparent in larger attendance and greater interest. If strangers are present make them feel that they are of the same family and brotherhood and worthy of attention, and you may sometimes "entertain angels in disguise."—*Masonic Standard.*

Comfort one another, for the way is often dreary, and the feet are often weary and the heart is very sad. There's a heavy burden bearing when it seems that none are caring and we half forget that ever we were glad.

Comfort one another with the handclasp close and tender. With the sweetness love can render and the looks of friendly eyes.

Do not wait with grace unspoken while life's daily bread is broken. Gentle speech is oft' like manna from the skies.—*R. W. Trine, in Eastern Star Signet.*

The ceremonies of the order of the Eastern Star are conceded by all acquainted with them to be most appropriate and sublime. Those who think to improve the ritual would do well to remember the illustrious mind that conceived the plan and worked out the ceremony of the degrees of our order. The poetical mind of Rob Morris was well adapted to the purpose. Those who tinker with the ritual only weaken it.

Universal Brotherhood is the foundation of Freemasonry. All mankind are mutually dependent on one another. The farmer cannot say to the merchant, "I have no need of thee." The architect cannot say to the workman, "I have no need of thee." The laborer cannot say to his employer, "I have no need of thee." The employer cannot say to his laborer, "I can get along without thee."

After a cessation of work for nearly two years, operations have been resumed on the Masonic temple in Reading. The money needed to finish the structure—$40,000, has been subscribed and the building is expected to be ready for occupancy by about midsummer. The structure will represent an investment of about $125,000.

The officers are chosen for the year. They are the choice of the majority. It is the duty of every member to lay aside any differences he may hold as to who he thinks ought to fill the stations and help make the new adminstration a success.—*The Acacia.*

The highest degree of Masonic know-

ledge cannot be transmitted. It must be attained by long personal application and hard study. The true mystic problems can be solved only by a life-time study.—*The Pacific Masonry.*

There is a chain of love that binds man to his God; we name it religion. There is a chain of friendship which binds man to his fellow man, and we term it fraternity. —*G. F. Moore, Alabama.*

True charity concerns itself less with the natural want of the individual than with the means of making him effective to supply those wants for himself.—*Masonic Herald.*

Masonry is a social institution, organized not purely and simply as an order of builders with charitable purposes. Charity is its cornerstone, its capstone.—*Journal.*

Seven commanderies have sent in their names for the drill contest at the Triennial Conclave at Louisville. Among them are the two from San Francisco.

Our Brethern of Muscatine are discussing the advisability of erecting a Masonic Temple in their city.

The Eastern Star is yet prohibited from meeting in a Masonic lodge room in Pennsylvania.

NEW WABASH EQUIPMENT.

The Wabash Railroad has just received and placed in service on its lines running out of Chicago the following new equipment: Eight combination baggage and passenger coaches, thirty palace day coaches, ten reclining chair cars, three cafe cars and two dining cars. The majority of these new cars are seventy feet in length, and fitted with the latest style wide vestibules. They have six wheel trucks with steel wheels. The cars are finished in the finest selected St. Jago mahogany. The lighting is by Pintsch gas with the exception of the cafe, dining and some of the chair cars, which are unusually well lighted by electricity, the fixtures being especially designed for these cars. The dining cars will seat twenty-nine persons and have ample kitchen space. The cafe cars will seat eighteen persons in the cafe, and have a library and smoking room in the observation end of the car which will seat fourteen persons. These cars also contain a private cafe with seating capacity for eight persons. These new cars represent the highest stage of development of modern car building. Nothing has been omitted and no expense spared that would add to their luxurious elegance, or to the comfort and convenience of the patrons of the Wabash road.

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F. A. PALMER, Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt.,
Chicago, Ill.

The Chicago & North Western and Union Pacific have given notice of the sale of excursion tickets to Colorado and Utah during the coming summer on the following basis of rates:

From July 1st to 9th inclusive, and September 1st to 10th inclusive, tickets will be sold from Chicago to Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo and return at rate of $25.00; Glenwood Springs and return $35.-00; Ogden and Salt Lake City and return $40.00; tickets to Colorado points to be limited to October 31st, and to Utah points 90 days not to exceed October 31st.

From June 18th to 30th inclusive, and from July 10th to August 31st inclusive, tickets will be sold from Chicago to Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo and return at rate of $31.50; Glenwood Springs and return $43.50; Ogden, Salt Lake City and return $44.50. Tickets at these rates limited to 30 days, except that on tickets sold on June 18th, 25th, July 16th, 23rd and 30th, August 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, limit will be October 31st, on Colorodo tickets, and on Utah tickets 90 days, but in no case to exceed October 31st.

Stop-overs to be given on Colorado tickets on going trip only at Colorado common points within final limit.

Stop-overs to be given on Utah tickets limited to 90 days not to exceed October 31st, at and west of Colorado common points in both directions within 30 days going and return transit limit.

Stop-overs on Utah 30 day tickets in both directions at and west of Colorado common points within final limit.

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LOUISVILLE 1901.

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